

*Welcome to*  
**First Christian Reformed Church**



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**We welcome our visitors** and hope that you enjoy worshipping with us. If you are presently seeking a church home, we welcome you to join our fellowship. You will find a visitor card in your pew, please fill one out and place it in the offering bag. If you would like further information about our church, check out our website at [www.waupuncrc.com](http://www.waupuncrc.com) or contact Pastor Craig (920-539-3848) or the church office (324-2898).

**Large-print bulletins** and **children's bulletins** are available from an usher or in the back sanctuary rack.

You are able to listen to sermons from our website as well as view the bulletin. Website address is [www.waupuncrc.com](http://www.waupuncrc.com)

**Church Office Hours**  
**Tuesday from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM**  
**Thursday from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**  
**All announcements due in the office by 9:00 AM Thursday**  
**Phone: 920-324-2898 email: [waupuncrc@gmail.com](mailto:waupuncrc@gmail.com)**

**9:30 AM Worship Service**  
**(\*Please stand if you are able)**

**We Gather in Worship**

**Prelude**

**\*Call to Worship**

**\*Opening:** Led by Praise Team

**\*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another**

**We are Renewed in God's**

**Grace**

**Congregational Prayer**

**Offertory and Our Offerings:** Local Budget

**God Speaks through His Word**

**\*Scripture:** 2 Corinthians 8:1-11

**Sermon:** Does Grace Produce Joy and Generosity?

**We Respond to God's Word**

**Song of Communion:** Come, Share the Lord -R462

**Communion**

**We Leave to Serve God**

**\*God's Parting Blessing**

**\*Closing Song:** Bless His Holy Name – G627

**\*Postlude**

**PM Bible Studies**  
**(No evening worship)**

**Accompanist**

Brenda Hofman

**Elder/Deacon Greeters**

Tom Jonker

Randall Greenfield

**Fellowship Coffee**

Denny & Nancy Vande Berg

**Greeters**

Al & LeAnne Holden

**Nursery**

Phylicia Bronkhorst

Becca Vree

Josie Venhuizen

**Sound System**

Pete Vander Werff

**Transportation**

Percy De Vries

(344-0109)

Glen Greenfield

(346-5152)

**Ushers**

Gene Hofman

Brandon Kitchner

Dan Montsma

Harm Venhuizen

**Video Projection**

Mike Vander Berg

**Missionary Letters**

Kaytlin B. to Daryl Pfantz+

Phylicia B. to Neen

Will B. to Chaplain Peter

*\*Please pray especially for this missionary family this week*

## Worship Notes

**Starting today** we celebrate together as we study Vanishing Grace by Philip Yancey. During our study in October we will not be having our evening worship service. May you grow in your faith as we study God's grace together.

**Next Sunday** we look at what life would be like without grace. We have become so accustomed to this gift that we miss how amazing and essential it is. The world is crying out for God's grace but we have often been poor givers of grace. So, we will turn to Luke 10 to see what happens when we fail to show grace.

**Verse of the Week:** But just as you excel in everything - in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us – see that you also excel in this grace of giving. 2 Corinthians 8:7

### **This week be in prayer for:**

- A better understanding of God's grace
- Iraq as the Kurds seek independence
- Puerto Rico as they try to recover from hurricanes
- Hmong CRC of Sheboygan as they seek to plant a church in Madison
- World Renew as they help so many suffering from disasters

### **Give thanks to God for:**

- Medical discoveries
- This congregation
- Easy access to God's Word

## Upcoming Special Service

October 1	9:30 AM	World Wide Communion
November 5	9:30 AM	Mission Emphasis @ Bethel CRC
November 5	6:00 PM	Combined IDOP Service
November 12	9:30 AM	Communion
November 26	6:00 PM	Combined Service @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC

## Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget	\$7,437.00
REACH Waupun	\$ 175.00

**For Brother Bob Ministry donations** please make checks payable to First CRC and put Brother Bob in the Memo or mark it on your envelope.

**If you are making a donation to the maintenance and remodeling project,** please label the envelope or check Capital Improvements. This will help the deacons. Thank you!

**The Benevolence Fund** is very healthy and the Deacons are looking for ways to serve our community with our resources, if you know of a need please let a deacon know.

**October cause: World Renew (CRWRC)** responds on our behalf to the needs of people who suffer from poverty, hunger, disaster, and injustice.

### Our Family

#### Birthdays

Sutton Van Hill  
Janet Ver Hage

#### October

2  
6

Tyler Jansen  
Trayton Greenfield

#### October

6  
7

#### Anniversaries

Joe & Karen Durant  
Randall & Kim Greenfield

#### October

3  
4

**Congratulations to Alex & Grace Bruins** on the birth of a son, **Case Junior** on Wednesday, September 20. Give thanks that everyone is doing well.

**Congratulations to Troy & Taylor (Sweetman) Aalsma** as they were united in marriage yesterday. Pray that God will be at the center of their marriage.

**The Homan family is adopting!** Ben and Alyssa are the parents of Ethan (10) and Elsa (4). They have been in the process of adopting Eden, a beautiful 3-year-old girl from Ethiopia, for the past 16 months. They are anticipating travel to Africa to bring her home this fall. Eden has Spina Bifida, hydrocephalus, and many complications that have arisen due to the limited treatment available to her in the orphanage. First Christian Reformed Church will be hosting an Ethiopian night on October 11 from 5-7 to help offset medical expenses for the family. Please come and share an Ethiopian meal while learning more about Ethiopian culture and customs.

**As you pray this week please remember these people in your prayers:**



- Leann Johnson as she continues to undergo treatments.
- Brandon Kitchner as he anticipates surgery on the other foot on October 10.
- Morris Te Grootenhuis as he recovers from heart surgery.
- Keith & Sue Buwalda as they continue to recover from recent surgeries.
- Dave Mulder, cousin of Sue Buwalda, as he undergoes treatment for cancer.

It can be easy to forget about those that we don't see every week so we are including a list of shut-ins within our congregation. We hope that you will take some time to visit, send cards, and pray for these members of our family. As Romans 12:10 says, "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves."

- Joyce Haan
- Winnie Kuiper
- Wilma Navis
- Lee Heideman

If at any time you would like your name added to or taken off of the prayer list, please contact Gladys.

## **Church News**

**There will be no Children and Worship TODAY or next week Sunday, it will resume on Sunday, October 15.**

**Join us TODAY for the Life Chain in Fond du Lac.** We will be meeting in our church parking lot at 1:15 PM and will travel to Fond du Lac together. Last year we had about 20 people from our church join in this effort. We would love to see even more this year. This is a easy way to show that you support Pro-life! If you have any questions, feel free to talk to someone on the Outreach Team.

**Christian Fellowship** will meet this Thursday, October 5 at **6:45 PM**. Please note the change in time.

Don't forget that the **Waupun CROP Hunger Walk** is this coming Saturday morning, **October 7, 2017!** If you would like to walk or sponsor a walk **contact Bob Mulder** for more information today.

**Attention all 3rd through 8th grade boys:** The Cadets will kickoff 2017/18 season with a pumpkin carving party at Josh Bos' farm on Wednesday, October 25 6:30-8 pm. Dads are encouraged to attend. Any questions please call Steve Hoekstra @ 9202107107

The kick-off night for **SWaT (Middle School Youth Group)** will be **Wednesday, October 25th** at Mark and Rachelle Buwalda's house from 6-8pm (910 Beaver Dam St, Waupun). All 6th through 8th graders are welcome and are always welcome to bring friends! Come hungry as we will be roasting hot dogs and making s'mores. Please contact Andy & Beth Schlieve or Tyler & Jessica Ten Pass with any questions. Please see welcome email and Facebook post for more information regarding the years' activities.

**Servathon:** Have you wanted to help your neighbor but didn't have the time? Take a look down your street, is there someone that could use a little help? Do you find yourself in a situation where you need help? The CWC High School students are looking to help those in need within our communities through a new initiative called '**Servathon**'. It will take place on Friday, October 27th. Please let us know if you, or someone you know, could use a little boost. Just call CWC at 920-324-4233 ext#310 and someone will get back to you to find out the details.

The **CWC Music Department** is gearing up for its debut of our performing groups. The middle school choir and band will perform their first concert Monday, October 9 in the Crusader Centre at CWC. There will be selections performed by the CWC and Randolph Christian choirs and bands together. The concert will begin at 6:30pm.

**Middle School Forensics Night:** Our middle school students, (grades 5-8), have been working hard learning their Forensic pieces and memorizing! They would love for you to come out and hear them on Monday, Oct. 16th starting at 6 PM in various classrooms in the middle/high school. The best performances will be going on and competing at the CSI Speech and Spelling Nov. 17.

**Mark your calendar! We will be serving the evening meal at St. Ben's on Friday, October 27!** Sign-up sheets are available in the basement.

**The Randolph Christian School is hosting an Open House on Thursday, October 5th** from 6-8 PM. Classrooms will be open so students are able to show what they've been working on so far. The Junior High students are excited to present and sell the products they have made for their Entrepreneur Projects. This project teaches them a broad range of cross-curricular skills Please come by the RCS gym and check it out!

**Randolph Christian school is once again kicking off Fall with our annual Apple Pie fundraiser.** Our Apple pies are made with fresh Wisconsin apples, sweetened with sugar and cinnamon and topped with our homemade butter crumb topping. Pies are \$11 each and will be made October 18-20. If you would like to place an order you may contact any RCS family or call the office at 326-3320. We are also looking for volunteers! If you have a couple hours to spare please consider helping us on October 18 starting at 12:30 and October 19 starting at 8:00 AM in the school gym. Anytime you can give is appreciated!

In conjunction with the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation... "Why the Reformation Still Matters." The Friesland/Randolph/Fox Lake area RCA and CRC churches invite you to come have dessert, sing a little, and do some learning. You'll come away stimulated and better equipped to live out your faith in today's world. We'll

be joined by Lakeisha Heeringa on violin and Dr. Chris Ganski, pastor of City Reformed Church (CRC) in Milwaukee. October 31 (Reformation Day), 7 p.m. at the Randolph Village Hall (248 W. Stroud St, Randolph).

<u>Group</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
1	Don Pausma	Jon Venhuizen
2	Merle Schouten	Joe Bresser
3	Bob Mulder	
4	Scott Ritzema	Eric Homan
5	Norm Buwalda	Ben Mulder
6	Tom Jonker	Randall Greenfield
7	Steve Homan	
8	Al Venhuizen	Brian O'Donovan

### Calendar

#### **Today:**

8:00 AM Church Wide Bible Study  
 9:30 AM AM Worship Service  
 10:45 AM Sunday School & Catechism  
 10:45 AM Church Wide Bible Study  
 4:30 PM Church Wide Bible Study  
 6:00 PM Church Wide Bible Study

#### **Tuesday:**

8:00 AM Prayer Meeting

#### **Wednesday:**

9:00 AM Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC  
 6:00 PM Ladies Painting Party @ 1<sup>st</sup> CRC  
 7:00 PM Youth Group @ the Union  
 TBD Church Wide Bible Study

#### **Thursday:**

6:45 PM Christian Fellowship @ 1<sup>st</sup> CRC

#### **Next Sunday:**

9:30 AM AM Worship Service

### Next Week

#### **Accompanist**

Cara Aylesworth

**Offering:** Local Budget

**October Cause:** World Renew

#### **Elder/Deacon Greeters**

Merle Schouten

Joe Bresser

#### **Sound System**

Eric Homan

#### **Fellowship Coffee**

Al & LeAnne Holden

#### **Transportation**

Percy De Vries (324-4678)

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#### **Greeters**

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#### **Ushers**

Gene Hofman

Brandon Kitchner

Dan Montsma

Harm Venhuizen

#### **Nursery**

Eric & Stacy Schaver

Reegan Aylesworth

#### **Video Projection**

Lois Mulder

# CREATION MOMENTS

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth  
THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

## And a Little Child Shall Lead Him



The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fating together; and a little child shall lead them. – Isaiah 11:6

In the early 1950s, people were stunned when former Soviet spy Whittaker Chambers testified that Alger Hiss, an American government official, was spying on the U.S. for Russia. In his book *Witness*, Chambers relates how a little child led him to change his beliefs and the course of his life.

"It was shortly before we moved to Alger Hiss's apartment in Washington. My daughter was in her high chair. I was watching her eat. She was the most miraculous thing that had ever happened in my life. I liked to watch her even when she smeared porridge on her face or dropped it meditatively on the floor. My eye came to rest on the delicate convolutions of her ear – those intricate, perfect ears."

Chambers continued: "The thought passed through my mind: 'No, those ears were not created by any chance coming together of atoms in nature (the Communist view). They could have been created only by immense design.' The thought was involuntary and unwanted. I crowded it out of my mind. But I never wholly forgot it or the occasion. I had to crowd it out of my mind. If I had completed it, I should have had to say: Design presupposes God. I did not then know that, at that moment, the finger of God was first laid upon my forehead."

Chambers was right. Not only does creation point to design, it points to the Designer – Jesus Christ.

Ref: From the Foreword to Whittaker Chambers' *Witness*, first published in 1952. Photo: Whittaker Chambers, American writer, editor and former Soviet spy. (PD)

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